Wild Buckwheat – Sand Bluestem Sparse Vegetation (4)

Location. This map class occurs in small polygons scattered in areas of deep cinder deposition. The best occurrences are on the upper parts of the Sunset Crater cone and in the northeastern part of the mapping area. The vegetation consists of the two named species with little other vegetation present.



Photosignature. For the most part, occurrences were mapped from direct field observations. This type is very similar in appearance to map code 7, Sand Bluestem Herbaceous Vegetation, which often occurs in adjacent polygons. The cinder substrate gives the map class a greenish-black color, while the vegetation contributes a bluegreen cast (the grass) with tiny white specks (the shrubs).

